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Title: NUCLEIC ACID PROBES AND METHODS FOR DETECTING CLINICALLY  
IMPORTANT FUNGAL PATHOGENS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

**RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER**

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

☒ **Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.**

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**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 8, 2002, entry and consideration of the following amendments and remarks are requested; the period for response having been extended up to and including April 8, 2003, by submission of the requisite petition and fee, attached.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Amend the claims as follows.

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